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## Viewing cable 10MOSCOW337, RUSSIAN RELATIONS WITH AN ASSERTIVE UZBEKISTAN

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
<a href="#">10MOSCOW337</a>	<a href="#">2010-02-17 17:42</a>	<a href="#">2011-08-30 01:44</a>	<a href="#">CONFIDENTIAL</a>	Embassy Moscow

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SUBJECT: RUSSIAN RELATIONS WITH AN ASSERTIVE UZBEKISTAN MOSCOW 00000337 001.2 OF 002 Classified By: Political Minister Counselor Susan M. Ellic  
¶1. (C) Summary: In recent meetings, MFA and Uzbek Embassy officials stressed the positive aspects of Russian-Uzbek relations, including bilateral Partners, but No Longer Strategic?  
¶2. (C) MFA Third CIS Department Second Secretary Kiril Belikov told poloff that Uzbekistan is Russia's "second partner" in the region, after Kazakhstan.  
¶3. (C) Uzbek Embassy Political Counselor Farkhad Khamraev termed relations with Russia as "stable and positive," although he was quick to dispel any notion of a strategic alliance.  
¶4. (C) Stressing that stability is Russia's primary interest in Central Asia, MFA officials said that Russia has urged Uzbekistan to resolve its border disputes with Kazakhstan.  
¶5. (C) Central Asia expert Ivan Safranchuk, publisher of the journal "Bolshaya Igра" (The Great Game), told us that Karimov's personal relationship with President Karimov is based on Resilient Economic Ties.  
¶6. (C) Separately, both the MFA's Chistova and the Uzbek Embassy's Khamraev emphasized the resilience of the bilateral economic relationship. Mutual Dependence on Migrants  
¶7. (C) MFA and Uzbek Embassy officials also highlighted the mutual importance of Uzbek migrant workers in Russia. The MFA's Chistova estimated that there are approximately 1 million Uzbek migrants in Russia.  
¶8. (C) Comment: Beyond official pleasantries, Russian relations with an increasingly assertive Uzbekistan remain prickly. Russia has limited influence over Karimov's policies, but the two countries remain interdependent.